TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 864 – HB 1169

March 28, 2017

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Changes, from September 15 to October 15, the date by which a public institution of higher education operating a hearing center must submit a written report to the Tennessee Higher Education Committee (THEC) and the Education Committees of the General Assembly regarding patient service.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (006383): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Authorizes children turning five years of age on or before September 30, for the 2017-2018 school year and annually thereafter, to enroll in kindergarten, if such children are dependents of parents on active military duty and live more than 10 miles outside of the radius from a Department of Defense (DOD) installation with a school that the child would be eligible to attend.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$90,500/BEP

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann §49-6-201(b)(3), children entering kindergarten are required to be five years of age on or before August 31 for the 2013-2014 school year and on or before August 15 for all school years thereafter.
- The provisions of the proposed legislation could result in an increase in kindergarten enrollment in the state.
- Based on information provided by the Department of Education, it is estimated that 109 additional students that are dependents of a parent on active military duty that have birthdays between August 16th and September 30th would be eligible to enroll in kindergarten.

- It is reasonably estimated that 65 percent, (or 71) of those students live 10 miles outside of the radius from a DOD installation with a school that the child would be eligible to attend.
- The number of parents who will be eligible to enroll their children in kindergarten, but will elect not to do so is currently unknown.
- Of the 71 eligible, it is estimated that a minimum of 20 additional students will opt to enroll in kindergarten in FY17-18 under the provisions of this legislation.
- The state BEP per pupil expenditure in FY17-18 is estimated to be \$4,525 with a minimum required local BEP match of \$2,397.
- The recurring increase in state BEP expenditures is estimated to exceed \$90,500 (20 additional students x \$4,525).
- Actual local expenditures are not anticipated to increase significantly given the relatively low number of students impacted and since the majority of LEAs currently fund above the minimum local BEP match requirement.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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